

REMARKS

Claims 2-9 are pending. Claims 12-18 are cancelled with this response. Reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested in light of the following discussion.

I. REJECTION OF CLAIMS 12-18 UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 101

Claims 12-18 were rejected provisionally under 35 U.S.C. § 101 as claiming the same invention of co-pending application Serial No. 12/543,487. Claims 12-18 are cancelled with this response, thereby rendering this issue moot. Accordingly, withdrawal of the rejection is respectfully requested.

II. CONCLUSION

For at least the above reasons, the claims currently under consideration are believed to be in condition for allowance.

Should the Examiner feel that a telephone interview would be helpful to facilitate favorable prosecution of the above-identified application, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number provided below.

Should any fees be due as a result of the filing of this response, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the Deposit Account Number 50-1733, LLP127US.

Respectfully submitted,
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